

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 1429**

H. P. 988

House of Representatives, March 8, 1967

Referred to Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk.

Presented by Mrs. Lincoln of Bethel.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Providing for Volunteer Services Within Department of Health and Welfare.**

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**Appropriation; volunteer services.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Welfare the sum of \$2,250 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968 and the sum of \$5,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969 for the purpose of mobilizing and directing volunteer services. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1967-68	1968-69
HEALTH AND WELFARE, DEPARTMENT OF		
Personal Services	(2) \$1,000	(2) \$3,000
All Other	750	2,000
Capital Expenditures	500	500
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	\$2,250	\$5,500

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Public Law 132 passed by the 102nd Legislature authorized the Department of Health and Welfare to offer certain specialized services enumerated in the Social Security Act, which would "complement" the regular work of the case-worker in the field. Such Complementary Services are subject to 75% federal

matching and may include the cost of organizing and directing Volunteer Services.

There are available in the State of Maine a substantial number of volunteers whose services have been offered by individuals and organizations. They should be utilized to assist paid employees of the department in handling social welfare problems throughout the state. Volunteers would render many of the nonprofessional but necessary and time-consuming services related to health, employment, housing and recreational needs of the aged, disabled and children. To recruit and effectively utilize volunteer services on a state-wide basis, a full-time director and clerical assistant are required.